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- The Berdichev (28°35'E/49°54' N) airfield, Ukrainian SSR, 1. was occupied by about 100 twin-engine bombers with radial engine, far projecting gunner's cockpit, double rudder assembly, similar to the Dc-17 plane.
- There was intensive flying. Observed were: Formation flights, 20 sharpshooting practices at air targets towed by fighters, releasing of bombs from planes flying individually and in formations of three, night flights of individual planes.

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Comment:

The reported 100 twin-engine bombers at the field seems to be too high. The training flights observed indicate that a bomber school was possibly located at the field. From the information that the twin-engine aircraft resembled the former German Do-17 it is assumed that most of the planes were TU-2s.

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